

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
MANSFIELD PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
SUB COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS
SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, June 23, 2014 ■ 10:30 AM

Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building ■ 4 South Eagleville Road ■ Conference Room B

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. The following subcommittee permanent members were present: Plante, Rawn and Holt.

2. Discussion RE: Criteria for prioritizing walkway and bikeway projects and project priority list

Painter distributed a revised criteria and project priority list based on the following changes by the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC):

- Expand criterion related to existing high pedestrian/bicycle use to include potential for high use.
- Add a criterion for constructability/cost that would give credit to projects that are relatively easy to construct and therefore less expensive
- Add a criterion that would emphasize safety over shortest and most direct routes when identifying bicycle routes
- Add the following segments to the priority list:
 - Hunting Lodge Road (Birch Road to Goodwin School)
 - Conantville/Pollack to rear Eastbrook Mall Entrance
 - South Eagleville Road (Route 195 to Town Hall entrance drive)
 - North Eagleville Road (Northwood to Route 32) – consider as a potential bike route

Members discussed the requested changes and made the following recommendations:

- Expand criterion to include potential high pedestrian bicycle use with understanding that credit for potential use would only be awarded if supported by data such as survey results, accident data, etc. Anecdotes alone would not be enough to award credit for potential use.
- Add the constructability/cost criterion as recommended.
- Do not include safety as separate criteria. Safety should be inherent in any project and should not be stated separately. Additionally, the criterion as proposed relates to siting of bicycle routes, not walkway/bikeway infrastructure and therefore is not applicable to this list.
- Add and score the projects proposed by the TAC with the exception of North Eagleville Road, which is a bike route and not an infrastructure project.

3. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:21 a.m.